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The man or woman who advertises and pays for it is the life of a newspaper. Those who advertise and do not pay, however, are often the death of it.

While the prejudiced White man is trying to find a place in the political world for the Negro, the Negro is making places for himself in the industrial and commercial world.

When a man is put on the force to fulfill the duties of an officer of the law every good citizen should help him. It is not expected that crooks and cut throats will help an officer to do his duty, but sometimes even they assist the officers more than some of those who pose as good law abiding citizens.

Commissioner Quinn and Chief Burns have removed both the Colored patrolmen of this city and replaced them with white men, because they say they have not been able to find a Colored man who would suit all the Colored people in the East End. We are not surprised at this action on the part of these officials. They have tried their best at all times to give this part of the city ample police protection with the very best men obtainable but this is a difficult task to perform when a number of men have applied for position on the police force and one half of the town opposing them out of spite and jealousy. We hope the Colored people in Tulsa will learn a lesson from this case.

THE BONE OF CONTENTION.

The Democratic Convention which met in the Court house last Saturday made a big blunder when it had encouched in its resolution anything at all concerning the Negro. We had hoped that the democratic party in Tulsa county at least would have shown itself bigger and broader than those who are leading the G. O. P. in this state.

The Negro is getting mighty tired of being the bone of contention between these two great parties and the common people—the voters—are getting mighty tired of that kind of campaign thunder. Let both parties forget the Negro for a while now and strive earnestly to do something worth while for the common good of our country. If anything bad befalls the Negro, the White man is sure to get some of it, and if anything good comes to the White man in spite of all that's done the Negro is bound to get his share of that. So why waste time discussing the Negro? "What fools ye mortals be."

AN EVEN BREAK.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON TELLS A STORY which, while on himself, illustrates clearly the attitude of the press, or rather a great portion of the press, towards the race. A number of years ago he made—as he thought—the speech of his life in a certain Southern city. His audience was apparently enthused to the highest pitch and he went to his hotel pretty well satisfied that his name would be emblazoned across the front page of the morning papers. It so happened that the same night a levee character of the race snatched a purse from a factory girl and was apprehended and landed in jail. To make a long story short, this culprit was featured on the front page, picture and all, while the notice of the great educator's speech was sandwiched in between adds on the inside of the paper. The Indianapolis Times, under the caption "And He Was a Black Man" has this to say along the same line: "The Negro gets a large amount of space in the newspapers. Every time he breaks into police court; every time he is made the victim of a not too discriminating mob; every time he acts just as a white man might be expected to act had he been brought up under the great handicaps which have harassed the Negro, he gets a prominent place in the day's news and the result is that the popular mind gradually comes to hold the whole race under suspicion. As a matter of fact a keen observer with even a moderate degree of fairness will find that he has good deeds to his credit; that there are times when he reaches the heroic, and that, as a rule, he is just as law abiding and just as industrious as the rest of us. Yesterday an aged woman would have perished in the flames which were destroying her home if it had not been for a Negro. We should be glad to give you his name, but he didn't hang around long enough to permit anyone to find out who he was. He was content to serve and take his reward in the consciousness that he had been of some service. We have known some white heroes who were less modest. It is just cases like this which get into print occasionally which remind us that the police court "Nigger" is no fair sample of the Negro race; that it would be just as fair to judge all whites by the barrel house bums who day after day face the judge. Here was a hero of the highest type and he was a black man." What we need and need badly is a more

National Baptist Convention

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a total of \$64,890.40 has been spent for missionary operations on home fields. It is subdivided by subjects touching upon missionary operations, the co-operative missionary work; the plan of doing Sunday School colportage work; the economical side of missionary work; the co-operative work between the white and the Negro Baptists; the Bible conference and theological training; needs for better trained missionary workers; and closed with a ringing declaration of the work done in Panama and forecasting the possibility of the Negro Baptists extending their missionary work to the Central American Republic. It itemizes and tabulates the extensive operations for the Home Mission Board.

The report of the Publishing Board is styled as The Business End of the Convention. While Dr. Boyd was making these two reports the chairman of the Home Mission Board, Rev. Dr. J. P. Robinson, of Little Rock, Ark., and the chairman of the Publishing Board, Rev. Dr. C. H. Clark, of Nashville, Tenn., were seated on the platform as they had made introductory remarks. The report of the Publishing Board was the momentous item of the Convention. It shows that from 1897 to 1914, \$2,145,307.35 has been received and expended in the maintenance of the plant at Nashville and that 128,582,298 periodicals had been published and distributed under the auspices and from the presses of this institution, and that 393,674 letters have been sent out to various portions of the United States. The enormous circulation attained in the past years, declared this report, would have been even greater but for the high waters and the disastrous overflows in the sections of the country where the Negro Baptists predominate.

Secretary Boyd reported by quarters showing the number of letters received and the number of letters mailed each month for the four quarters in the fiscal year. They make a grand total of 238,029 for the year just closed. These operations cover every department of the Sunday-school work. Secretary Boyd also reported the progress made by the Sunday-school Congress, the Teacher-Training, the Boy Cadets, Metoka and Galeda Class Movement and Readers Course and Negro Doll Clubs.

The delegates sat in breathless silence as these reports were being made, and as one climax after another was reached by the speaker, who closed with an appeal for a closer co-operation on the part of the men and women who make up the denomination.

Wit And Wisdom

(By I. R. Man.)

In looking over the Negro leadership, I find many fences that need repairing, for instance take some of our supposed to be intelligent Negro Ministers give them a newspaper and they are unable to distinguish between fiction and truth. A case in point that I might mention, I introduced myself to an intelligent looking Negro in a nearby city a few weeks ago, and after a few remarks about the weather and the prospects for rain, etc., I mentioned the great European war, stating that thousands had already been slain in battle, and before I could make further comment he cut me off with the remark: "Do you believe all that stuff you see in the newspapers about war?" I had to confess that I did. Whereupon he began to give me a loud lecture stating that not a word of it was true, but that the newspapers only printed such stuff as that in order to sell their papers and he expressed surprise that I was silly enough to let them "take me in" so easily. He closed by saying he never paid attention to no such stuff. I felt so sorry for the man in his arrogant ignorance that I dropped my head and silently walked away. Now a Negro of that type can do more injury as a leader in a movement than a white man with intelligence and leadership in a year. Now if that class of Negroes will read newspapers and magazines more, and tell less funny tales and vulgar jokes, they will be better enabled to hold an intelligent conversation at least.

In this city there are many people that do many foolish things in order to be called a great man, but the biggest fool of all is the man who is doing nothing and everything for a dollar and who is doing nothing for his fellowman. Money will not make any man great, but little acts of kindness will.

I saw a woman going down the streets the other day who was carrying a two year old dog in her arms, and her two year old baby was walking along behind her. I don't expect the father of the dog to make a kick, but I wonder how long will the father of the baby stand for such things. A dog in a woman's arms is an untidy combination.

A white woman told a Negro man to bring her a woman cook that would not have no man come about her. The Negro man told the white woman that the only place such a woman could be found was in the graveyard or cemetery. I dropped into a meat store and cold drink store one day last week, a very nice looking young lady was employed behind the counter. A couple of silly young Negro men were in there doing their very best to make her lose her job, by attempting to make love across the counter. People don't hire girls in their shops to make love, and any girl that allows silly boys to attempt such, will soon be hunting for another job.

More to follow later.

Lion Collars
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Negro Newspapers Will Use Telegraph Code Service

NASHVILLE, TENN., Monday, Sept. 7.—Closer unity among the newspaper men of every grade and shade is guaranteed as a result of the actions taken at the Ninth Annual Session of the National Negro Press Association, which has just closed at Muskogee, Okla. The unifying of interest with the co-operation in the returns that are vouchsafed by agreements and legislation enacted at this meeting will bring from 25 to 50 per cent. increase in benefits to every newspaper belonging to the Association. The redoubling of the efforts to lift the standard of the newspaper, the publisher and the correspondent to a higher plane of efficiency and to make the publications themselves cover their scope of proficiency will continue to be pushed.

Clinaxes of some of the well laid plans that are to be worked out in detail will be reported to the Executive or Mid-Winter Session that is to be held in this city during the month of February. Some of the things that will be completed and reported for final action will be a Code Service by which cipher messages can be sent from one member of the Association to another. This system is being worked out under a committee consisting of the chairman of the Executive Committee, Jos. L. Jones, of Cincinnati; and Henry A. Boyd, the corresponding secretary, of this city. Another is the advertising matter which was left in the hands of a committee consisting of B. J. Davis, of Atlanta; W. E. King, of Dallas; J. A. Booker, of Little Rock; and R. H. Boyd, of this city. This committee reported at Muskogee that arrangements had been made and only details were left to be worked out.

The Muskogee meeting went on record as having accomplished a number of things beneficial to the newspaper men. They condemned unfair and unjust accommodations on the railroad trains offered to the Negroes throughout the country. They have requested all of the newspapers throughout the country, irrespective of race, to capitalize the letter "N" in Negro. The first venture along this line was accomplished when the daily papers of Muskogee acceded to the demand. They selected and endorsed a new improved plate service that will furnish the papers throughout the United States with a uniform lot of news, well written, well arranged and artistically displayed. The appearance of the minutes of the Association, giving full, detailed account of the proceedings that are now on the press, will be much earlier this year than before. The following officers were elected: Melvin J. Chism, Baltimore, Md., president; R. E. Jones, New Orleans, La., vice president; H. M. Gilliam, Denison, Tex., second vice president; Henry Allen Boyd, Nashville, Tenn., corresponding secretary; Charles Sumner Smith, Minneapolis, Minn., recording secretary; L. G. Jordan, Philadelphia, Pa., treasurer; C. J. Perry, Philadelphia, Pa., auditor; as was the following Executive Committee:

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Conscientious.

An editor of a New York magazine recently received a story of which he was told in the state of Washington. He wished to have the story illustrated, and in order to obtain the best local detail he sent the manuscript to a young artist out in Washington. Before doing so, however, he scrawled hastily across the top of the first page the address of the writer, which did not otherwise appear on the manuscript. It was "Shelton, Wash." With the story the editor sent a letter asking the artist to make a wash drawing of a certain effective scene and forward it as soon as possible. By return mail the editor received an anxious reply from the youthful artist, saying: "I note that you wish me to use Shelton 'Wash.' I do not know of any such such her do any of the dealers out here. If you can send me a tube I shall be glad to make the drawing."

Haskell Colored Folks to Celebrate

SEPTEMBER 22-23 EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION.

There will be a grand celebration to celebrate the issuing of the proclamation that Emancipated the slaves.

Representatives from the following towns have named Steve Lowary Park 1/2 mile East of Haskell as the place of celebration: Haskell, Red Bird, Taft, Boynton, Yahala, Muskogee, Clarksburg, Coweta, and Tulsa. This celebration will bring together more people than ever assembled here before. It is evidence of, or lack of refinement and inexcusable to celebrate any other date, but as long as no one don't bring this matter to the attention of the public, we will always hold to the 19th day of June, 4th of July and 4th of August and the 5th of August, Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma celebrate the 19th of June and Oklahoma celebrates the 4th of August.

Galley Two.

Here is what history says, President Lincoln on the 18th day of June, 1862 submitted the draft of the emancipation proclamation to the Vice President Hamlin on July 22, 1862 President read his proclamation to his cabinet and on the 22 day of September 1862 he issued the preliminary emancipation proclamation that emancipated the slaves. Among other things he said that on the first day of June 1863 all persons held as slaves within any state or designated part of the state the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States shall be then thenceforward and forever free. Hence can't you see by these words of the proclamation itself that there can be no other date except this one which we can correctly and logically celebrate the emancipation day. Hence we take upon ourselves in humble way to establish a uniformity of action. There is no better time to show to the world the advancement in education, agriculture, economy and in various industries. So let us come and have one grand and good old time.

When all those little picnic and barbecues are over and done away with and forgotten, at a time when all the people can come together and enjoy themselves, we are inviting every body to come, both Colored, Indians and Whites.

Amusements, one big merry-go-round a carnival, two trained Arkansas Black bears, Dancing.

Hon. William Harrison of Oklahoma City and Hon. Emmet Stewart of Muskogee will speak.

The gatesville brass band will make music for the meeting.

Committee of arrangements, S. Bradley, Red Bird; Prof. R. K. Taylor, Taft; J. R. Robinet, Gatesville, Wm. Ezell, Jake Simmon, T. H. Hollin, Haskell.

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